

**19<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2017**  
**7<sup>h</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A**



ST AUGUSTINE'S  
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***PARISH BULLETIN***

BREVIARY WEEK : 3

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**WORD FOR TODAY**

Forgive and forget is a popular saying. But Jesus asks us to go one step further and actually love those who do us wrong. Only if we show the perfection of forgiveness to others can we expect God to extend it to us.

**PARISH CLUSTER EVENT** will take place on

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> February at St Augustine's Parish Centre**

with entertainment from 'The Musical Time Machine.'

This event is to raise money for young people to help fund their trip to Flame at Wembley in March this year. Tickets £5 and this includes nibbles.

Please contact Doreen Dobson 07806 450093 for tickets.

### **BREAK 4 LENT**

We have been asked by the Churches Together in Darlington group if we could help with the refreshments when the Lenten study group takes place at St Cuthbert's Hall. The date they have given us is 20<sup>th</sup> March. They start setting up at 10am and coffee is served from 10.30-11.00am. The coffee/tea is supplied but we are asked to provide two types of scones, butter and milk.

There is a list at the back of Church if you are able to help. Thank you.

Details of the course "Receiving Christ in five different ways" as below

Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Deacon Jurgen Muller (RC)
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	Rev. David Railton (CofE0)
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Rev. Hilary Collinson (URC)
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Mrs Maranny Jones (Churches Together)
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Rev Dr Andrew Stobart (Methodist)

*Start 10.30am, Speaker 11.00am, Finish by 11.30am*

### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY**

You are reminded that children between the ages of 3-9 are invited to join our children's liturgy group which meets for about 20 minutes during the 9.15 mass on Sunday.

### **COFFEES AFTER MASS - FEBRUARY**

In the month of February in the Parish Centre after the 9.15am Sunday Mass there will be tea/coffee with raffles and tombola each week. Funds raised go towards children with special needs of the Happy Wanderers Club.

**CARMEL DOES STRICTLY** - to raise funds for the Peru Mission, Carmel College are holding a two-night dancing extravaganza on the evenings of 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> March, featuring a staff Latin and Ballroom competition and demonstration dances by some of our talented students. A licensed bar will be available. Friday 24<sup>th</sup> is sold out, but there are still a few tickets available for Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>, priced at £3 for adults and £2 for students, available from student reception at the college, or contact 01325 254525

Please keep Fr Seamus and his family in your prayers.

## **FORWARD TOGETHER IN HOPE**

The meeting at Carmel College last Thursday evening was very well attended. Within the area of Cleveland and South Durham four partnership proposals were submitted, Bishop Seamus and the Diocesan Board agreed after much discussion and prayers, that there would be only three partnerships in this area in the future. The partnership proposal submitted from Darlington was agreed as submitted. Hartlepool area and the area of Stockton have merged into one partnership with a total of fifteen churches. Within the diocese one hundred and fifty parishes have now become 18 partnerships. Full information is available on the diocesan website...

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Thank you for everything that you have done to contribute and support our Diocesan journey to this point. As a person with a truly unique life story, each one of us is called to make a contribution to God's kingdom. No talent, no matter how small, is to be hidden or left unused.

As we move forward together into partnerships we want to encourage everyone to look again at their call to holiness. In Pope Francis' words "small things are small steps towards holiness". We want your experience to count and we need what you offer. Our way forward must include more active involvement of lay people.

At this stage we are looking particularly for volunteers with experience in leadership and education and/or facilitation. We simply require an email to [amy.cameron@diocese.org.uk](mailto:amy.cameron@diocese.org.uk) or a phone call Tel: 0191 2433304. Website: [www.hope.rcdhn.org.uk](http://www.hope.rcdhn.org.uk)

## **PARISH PROPERTY OUTREACH ADVISOR**

### **3 Year Fixed Term Contract**

A unique and exciting opportunity has arisen for a full-time Parish Property Outreach Advisor to assist parish communities, in the context of the local partnership, to explore the future use of all unused and underused property to benefit both the local Church and the local community.

The successful candidate will have a degree or relevant vocational experience in community development, knowledge of the Catholic Church and excellent communication, influencing and interpersonal skills. Experience of project management and the capacity to observe, evaluate and challenge sensitively are essential. Further information can be found on the [Diocesan website](#).

### **First Reading: Leviticus 19:1-2.17-18**

The Lord spoke to Moses; he said: Speak to the whole community of the sons of Israel and say to them: Be holy, for I, the Lord your God, am holy.

You must not bear hatred for your brother in your heart. You must openly tell him, your neighbour, of his offence; this way you will not take a sin upon yourself. You must not exact vengeance, nor must you bear a grudge against the children of your people. You must love your neighbour as yourself. I am the Lord.

### **PSALM**

The Lord is compassion and love.

### **Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:16-23**

Didn't you realise that you were God's temple and that the Spirit of God was living among you? If anybody should destroy the temple of God, God will destroy him, because the temple of God is sacred; and you are that temple.

Make no mistake about it; if any one of you thinks of himself as wise, in the ordinary sense of the word, then he must learn to be a fool before he really can be wise. Why? Because the wisdom of this world is foolishness to God. As scripture says: The Lord knows wise men's thoughts: he knows how useless they are; or again: God is not convinced by the arguments of the wise. So there is nothing to boast about in anything human: Paul, Apollos, Cephas, the world, life and death, the present and the future, are all your servants; but you belong to Christ and Christ belongs to God.

### **Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'You have learnt how it was said: Eye for eye and tooth for tooth. But I say this to you: offer the wicked man no resistance. On the contrary, if anyone hits you on the right cheek, offer him the other as well; if a man takes you to law and would have your tunic, let him have your cloak as well. And if anyone orders you to go one mile, go two miles with him. Give to anyone who asks, and if anyone wants to borrow, do not turn away.

'You have learnt how it was said: You must love your neighbour and hate your enemy. But I say this to you: love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you; in this way you will be sons of your Father in heaven, for he causes his sun to rise on bad men as well as good, and his rain to fall on honest and dishonest men alike. For if you love those who love you, what right have you to claim any credit? Even the tax collectors do as much, do they not? And if you save your greetings for your brothers, are you doing anything exceptional? Even the pagans do as much, do they not? You must therefore be perfect just as your heavenly Father is perfect.'

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**ASH WEDNESDAY 1<sup>st</sup> March 2017**  
**Mass at St Augustine's 12.15pm**  
**(Evening Mass - St Teresa's 7.00 pm)**

**Please note Fr David is on holiday next week**  
**Fr Greg is available on 257681**

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### **REFLECTION - Turning enemies into friends**

When Abraham Lincoln was running for president of the United States there was a man called Stanton, who never lost an opportunity to vilify him. Yet when Lincoln won the election he gave Stanton a post in his cabinet. Why? Because he considered him the best man for the job. And Lincoln was proved right. Stanton gave him loyal service. Asked why he didn't destroy his enemies, Lincoln replied, 'Do I not destroy my enemies when I make them my friends?'

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### **SAINSBURYS – ACTIVE KIDS 2017**

If you aren't collecting these vouchers for your own children/grandchildren, please accept them at the checkout and put them on the collection basket on a Sunday and they will be shared between Paradise Playgroup/St Augustine's School/Carmel Academy. Any vouchers are greatly appreciated.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - READERS/OFFERTORY/WELCOMERS**

Due to the changes in Sunday mass times if anybody would like to help with reading, offertory or welcoming at the 9.15am and 6.30pm Mass please leave your name and contact number in the office.

The next rotas will be done on a monthly basis.

Also if anybody would like to take over the admin work of the readers/offertory rotas Dick and Marie Whiteside would gratefully hand the baton on – over 15 years I think they are due a rest. Please see either Dick/Marie or again leave your name in the office.

### **HYMN BOOK AMNESTY**

Every year around 12-15 hymn books go walk-about – at a cost of over £6 each. If you have any in the car, at home can you please return them. In the meantime if we could all take 1 copy per couple at the Sunday morning mass that should spread the numbers around for everybody.

### **COMMUNION**

If you know of any parishioners who are unable to attend the 9.15am Mass and would like to receive communion from one of the SVP members please leave their contact details with the office.

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| <h3><b><u>FEAST OF ST JOHN of GOD</u></b></h3> |
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| <p>8th March 12noon at St Anne's followed by tea/coffee and cakes in the hall.</p> |
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## ST AUGUSTINE'S PARISH CLUB/CENTRE INFORMATION

### PARISH CENTRE INFORMATION

To book the Parish Centre : email [staugspc@gmail.com](mailto:staugspc@gmail.com) or  
telephone 07909 747145

Bar Opening Time: Sunday 7-10.30pm

### Luncheon Club

The next lunch will be held on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February from 12.30pm with last orders at 1.30pm. We anticipate a finish time of 2.30pm. Cost is £2.50 which includes homemade soup, bread and cake. Everybody welcome.

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### *Sunday Masses as from 21/22<sup>nd</sup> January 2017*

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| <i>St Anne's</i>      | <i>Saturday 5.00 pm</i> |
| <i>Holy Family</i>    | <i>Saturday 6.00 pm</i> |
| <i>St Williams'</i>   | <i>Sunday 9.00 am</i>   |
| <i>St Augustine'</i>  | <i>Sunday 9.15 am</i>   |
| <i>St Teresa's</i>    | <i>Sunday 10.30 am</i>  |
| <i>St Thomas'</i>     | <i>Sunday 11.00 am</i>  |
| <i>St Augustine's</i> | <i>Sunday 6.30 pm</i>   |

### PADDINGTON BEAR

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| 12 <sup>th</sup> February | £10.41     |
| Money in Bank             | £133.09    |
| Total Collected           | £31,421.16 |

### **COFFEES AFTER MASS**



Provided by  
Happy Wanderers  
Club

**DIOCESAN CHURCH MUSIC ASSOCIATION** is hosting a day of reflection, preparation and new music for those preparing the Easter Triduum liturgy. Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February at Hexham from 10-4pm. See poster at back of Church.

| <b>FEBRUARY 19<sup>TH</sup></b>                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | <b>7<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF YEAR A</b> |                                                                |
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|                                                                      | <b>St Augustine's</b><br><b>St Augustine's</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <b>9.15 am</b><br><b>6.30 pm</b>       | <b>Teresa Lewis RIP</b><br><b>Special Intention (B)</b>        |
| MONDAY                                                               | <b>St Augustine's</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>12.00 pm</b>                        | <b>Eucharistic Service followed<br/>by Exposition till 3pm</b> |
| TUESDAY                                                              | <b>St Augustine's</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>12.15 am</b>                        | <b>Eucharistic Service</b>                                     |
| WEDNESDAY                                                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                        |                                                                |
| THURSDAY                                                             | <b>St Augustine's</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>12.15 pm</b>                        | <b>Eucharistic Service</b>                                     |
| FRIDAY                                                               | <b>St Augustine's</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <b>7.00 pm</b>                         | <b>Eucharistic Service</b>                                     |
| SATURDAY                                                             | <b>NO CONFESSIONS</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                        |                                                                |
| SUNDAY 26 <sup>th</sup> February<br>8 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of YEAR A | <b>St Augustine's</b><br><b>St Augustine's</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <b>9.15 am</b><br><b>6.30 pm</b>       | <b>Mary &amp; Harold Ord RIP</b><br><b>George Badin RIP</b>    |
| THOSE WHO ARE SICK                                                   | Please remember Fr Gary Dickson, Fr Richard Harriott, Sister Evelyn and all priests and religious in the diocese who have health problems. Also the sick and housebound of the parish - Joan Foster, Maureen Harrison, Michelle Butler, Anne Kee, Teresa Hughes, Betty Smith, John Hodge, and those looking after them. |                                        |                                                                |
| LATELY DEAD                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                        |                                                                |
| ANNIVERSARIES                                                        | <b>February Anniversaries</b> – John Taylor, Shaughan Bainbridge, Joseph Armstrong, Nora Kelly, May Early, Peter Robinson, Molly Smith, Kathleen Stack, Terence Wells, Margaret Blake, Tony Regan, Ted Brownless, Donald Glendenning, James McCulla, Margaret Lindsay. May they rest in peace.                          |                                        |                                                                |
| MINISTERS                                                            | SUNDAY 26 <sup>th</sup> February                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                        |                                                                |
|                                                                      | 9.15 am                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                                        | 6.30 pm                                                        |
| READERS                                                              | S McEvoy/J Murphy                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                        | J Owens/D Klein                                                |
| OFFERTORY                                                            | McGovern Family                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                        | Morgan Family                                                  |
| WELCOMERS                                                            | J Scott/P Howard                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                                        | R Ivanec                                                       |
| COUNTERS TEAM (C)                                                    | B Humphrey/G Lynch/P Owen/L Eastham                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |                                        |                                                                |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> February 2017                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | £ 274.88                               |                                                                |
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